

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicants	:	Hiroki OKABE et al.	
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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this paper in response to the Office Action dated March 17, 2008.

A response to this Office Action was due on June 17, 2008. Accordingly, Applicants are concurrently submitting a request for a one-month extension of the period for response.

Please amend this application as follows:

The **Amendments to the Claims** made herein are reflected in the **Listing of Claims**, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Applicants' **Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.